



DALLAS HIGHLANDS NORTH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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HNHA CONNECTION

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You are cordially invited to attend:
**HIGHLANDS NORTH SPRING
FOOD, FASHION, AND FRIENDSHIP EVENT**
Friday, May 5, 2006 at 11:00 am

Orchid Mediterranean Grill
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Dallas TX 75248



What's Going on Here?



The Coit Road Project is under construction. The new DART shelter is in place, with the bolted and locked trash can near by.

There is a two person bench and a space for a wheelchair inside the shelter. The updated schedule for route #451 will be posted near the shelter.

The new meter, double check valve, copper pipe is in place from the corner of Gleneagle and Fallkirk to Coit. The City of Richardson will now take over the installation of irrigation and concrete mow strips along the right of way from Lauder south to the end of the stucco fence across from J. J. Pearce High School. Tom Blagg, landscape architect for the City of Richardson Parks Department, designed the landscape plans. Currently Stage II Water Conservation Restrictions will not allow new plantings to be watered. When the restrictions are lifted, the Richardson Parks will install over 650 plants in five designated beds when water is available for this purpose. The plantings will vary in size from 30 gallon containers to 1 gallon. The soil preparation will include excavation and removal of a 6 inch depth in planting areas with the addition of peat moss tilled to the depth of 8 inches. After the plantings, the soil will be covered by cypress mulch. The City of Richardson Parks department is responsible for the plants, irrigation and mowing maintenance. HNHA will pay the City of Dallas Water Utility bills.

HNHA would like to thank the Homeowner who had the disruption of his side yard for the sake of obtaining water for this project. He first had TXU lay electrical lines four feet under the ground followed by our plumber laying the valve box and copper pipe near the sidewalk.

He has been more than gracious and now he looks forward to having his yard back to normal. The neighbors who back up to the stucco fence have responded to our request to prune any over hanging branches reaching over the fence into the right of way. We all look forward to a "new entrance" into our neighborhood with the landscape plan. Highlands North is quite fortunate to have this Matching Fund Beautification opportunity with the City of Richardson, a community leader.

Susan Carrington, HNHA Liaison

Oak Wilt Caution Update— April 2006



Texas Forest Service has recommended that Live Oaks and Red Oaks should not be pruned from February to June 15 in our area. Oak wilt is a lethal fungal disease that is transmitted through root grafts under ground from tree to tree. Or the fungal spores can be spread by a beetle during this warm season from an infested tree entering a healthy tree through a cut or wound. The safest way to avoid the beetle infestation is to not prune when the beetle is active in the spring. If an oak tree is cut or wounded during the spring, pruning paint should be immediately painted after the cut. One of the main symptoms of Oak Wilt is leaf drop. For further information, contact Matt Grubisich, Texas Forest Service at 214 953-1190 or www.TBUFC.org click on local pests/diseases, then click on "Eight Step Program to Oak Wilt Management." The best time to prune Oak trees is after July until October or in the months of December and January.

Submitted by Susan Carrington, Park Liaison

CITY SERVICES

SCALPING SEASON March 15, 2006— April 15, 2006



Don't bag Grass Clippings Without Tags

The special grass collection for 2006 will begin March 15, 2006 and ends April 15, 2006. The program is designed to aid Dallas residents who scalp their lawns each spring in the disposal of grass clippings. Sanitation operations will pick up all grass bags that are identified with the special tag during this period. The tagged bags will be collected on your garbage collections days.

The tags cost \$1.50 each and are good for 2006 and 2006. Tags for 2006 can be ordered beginning March 1, 2006 thru April 3, 2006. The tags can be ordered by calling the City's non-emergency number 311 or by placing an order online at the City's website at www.dallascityhall.com. Click on "Request a City Service" and select the service request type "Grass Clippings." The tags for grass clippings will be mailed to you and the cost will be charged to your Dallas Water Utilities (DWU) account.

Please, clearly place the tags on your plastic bags. Residents may still drop off bagged grass clippings year-round at the three transfer stations and McCommas Bluff Landfill.

No clippings will be collected after April 17, 2006.

Around the Neighborhood



DON'T MISS HNHA's Annual Easter Egg Hunt!

Date: Sunday, April 9th
(Rain out Date is Saturday, April)
Time: 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE LOCATION HAS BEEN
MOVED TO THE NORTH LAKE!**

Bring your children and grandchildren for a fun-filled afternoon of Easter egg hunting, face painting, games, and more! We'll have all sorts of goodies on hand for children ages 0 - 9.



If you would like your children/grandchildren to participate in the Egg Hunt, please bring a bag of individually wrapped candy per child to the home of Lori and Dave Hamilton, 7805 Kilbride Lane by April 1st.

SEE YOU THERE!



THE CONTEMPORARY CHORALE Celebrates 50 Years...

The Contemporary Chorale, an entertaining women's chorus, will celebrate its 50th Anniversary on Saturday, April 29th at the Eisemann Center in Richardson.



Come enjoy the outstanding musical revue presented to commemorate this unique event.

For performance and ticket information, contact Sylvia Gray at (972) 233-0635 or Rae Gene Mungioli at (972) 661-0209. You may also visit our website at www.ontemporarychorale.org.



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Neighborhood Men's Bible Study

When: Bible Study meets every Friday morning at 6:30 a.m. - 7:15 a.m.

Location: Fellowship House of FBCA, 15816 Spring Creek Road

Please join us for a time of fellowship, prayer and bible study. Questions? Contact Greg Freeman at 972-701-8773

WHEN YOU THOUGHT I WASN'T LOOKING

Written by a Former Child

A Message every adult should read, because children are watching you and doing as you do, not as you say.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you hang my first painting on the refrigerator, and I immediately wanted to paint another one.

When you thought I wasn't looking I saw you feed a stray cat, and I learned that it was good to be kind to animals.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you make my favorite cake for me and I learned that the little things can be the special things in life.

When you thought I wasn't looking I heard you say a prayer, and I knew there is a God I could always talk to and I learned to trust in God.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you make a meal and take it to a friend who was sick, and I learned that we all have to help take care of each other.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you give of your time and money to help people who had nothing and I learned that those who have something should give to those who don't.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw you take care of our house and everyone in it and I learned we have to take care of what we are given.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw how you handled your responsibilities, even when you didn't feel good and I learned that I would have to be responsible when I grow up.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw tears come from your eyes and I learned that sometimes things hurt, but it's all right to cry.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I saw that you cared and I wanted to be everything that I could be.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I learned most of life's lessons that I need to know to be a good and productive person when I grow up.

When you thought I wasn't looking, I looked at you and wanted to say, "Thanks for all the things I saw when you thought I wasn't looking."



April Fools' Day

All Fools' Day, is the first day of April. No one knows where the custom began, but some historians believe it started in France. They had a New Year's festival that was celebrated from March 25 to April 1, and they would then exchange gifts. But, later, King James IV changed the holiday to January 1 for New Years. The people that still celebrated it April 1 were called 'April fish' and sent mock presents.

April Fools' Day may also be related to the ancient Roman spring festival Hilaria, which celebrates the resurrection of the god Attis.

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Save the date...
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It's time for RHS golf again!
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Friday, April 14, 2006

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CRIME CORNER

NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME REPORT



On Sunday, February 26, two black men in a white van pulled up to a home on Falkirk Drive. One man went to the front door and told the resident he was with Kiwi Services. When the resident told the man she had not called Kiwi, he said he would go back to his van and check his paperwork. He returned to tell the resident that he didn't have his paperwork with him. The resident called Kiwi Services to check on the incident and Kiwi informed them that they do not have technicians that work on Sundays. This suspicious activity was also reported to the police.



Keeping Kids Safe Online

Johanna Ambrosio of informationweek

I'm no expert, but I am a parent of three teenagers who, thankfully, have been safe so far. My reaction to the news about Microsoft jumping into the monitoring space with a free tool to be available this summer is that it sounds great, but I hope parents realize that the use of any monitoring software isn't by itself enough to guarantee kids' safety. I think anyone in the computer industry already knows this and certainly understands the dangers that lurk. But I worry there may be some parents who too readily trust a tool to take the place of their (human) care and concern. Parents must still be parents, and older teens especially must be made aware of their responsibility in this, too. With great freedom comes great personal responsibility, both online and offline, and kids need the adults in their lives to both explain and model this. We've certainly been lucky, and we've done some things to help. (For the fuller story, please check out my blog entry.) Just when I thought we were all getting the hang of this online stuff, however, came a whole host of other concerns with the advent of MySpace. This is true of any online chat environment, of course, but there are certain characteristics about MySpace that aren't true of other networking

sites popular in our household. Indeed, those features are often the reason for MySpace's popularity with the under-20 set: the ability to post photos and much information about yourself, including your favorite colors and bands, if you're a "chocolate" or "vanilla" person, and whether you like your parents. I became very concerned about the risks of online chat, but my husband and I made little if any headway with our kids until a couple of things happened. First was that two of our girls' friends were getting into some very dangerous territory, in my opinion, by going to the mall (and elsewhere) to meet up in person with guys they had originally encountered only in chat rooms or social networking sites. One 15-year-old girl even posted photos of herself in clothes the circa-1980s Madonna would have worn, in an attempt to make herself look older and/or more

desirable to "hot" guys. To their great credit, our kids were very concerned about their friends, and we talked about this. The other thing that happened was that around this time, a national TV show aired that talked about online sexual predators. We all watched this show together, and my girls were appalled that people actually went to "their" sites with such nefarious intentions. Ultimately, both girls changed their MySpace profiles to contain much less identifying information, like the name of their high school and where they lived. These days, we're all somewhat wiser about the risks of online chat rooms. My girls are now helping their friends understand what they've learned about how to be more responsible young adults. However sad I am that they needed to have learned this particular lesson, I'm very glad they did.

20th ANNIVERSARY

NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY FAIR 2006

FREE ADMISSION

SATURDAY APRIL 29, 2006 10:00 - 4:00

NORTH CENTRAL OPERATIONS DIVISION

6969 McCallum Blvd., Dallas, TX 75252 Hillcrest at McCallum. We will offer off site parking at Renner Frankford Library, Fretz Library, Albertson at Hillcrest and Arapaho with free shuttle service to and from North Central on a 30 minute cycle beginning at 9:30 am and ending at 4 pm.

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DID YOU KNOW?



If it's April it must be tax time! The following is information that might be useful as you do your tax returns:

Starting in 2005

Source: www.turbotax.com

Uniform Definition of a Qualifying Child. Beginning in 2005, there will be one definition of a qualifying child for:

- Dependency exemption
- Head of Household filing status
- Earned income credit
- Child tax credit
- Credit for child and dependent care expenses

This change simplifies the law in this area and establishes "tie-breaking" rules if more than one individual wishes to claim a child for a specific tax provision.

Increased Retirement Contribution Limits. The changes for 2005 are as follows:

- The maximum IRA (traditional or Roth) contribution increases from \$3,000 to \$4,000 per person.
- The maximum 401(k) and 403(b) employee contribution increases to \$14,000.
- The maximum SIMPLE employee contribution increases to \$10,000.
- Taxpayers who are at least age 50 before the end of 2005 can increase their contribution limits by the following amounts for the following plans (called the *catch-up* contribution limit):
- An additional \$500 for IRAs.
- An additional \$4,000 for 401(k), 403(b), salary reduction SEP plans, and 457 plans.
- An additional \$2,000 for SIMPLE plans.

Higher Income Limits for Deductible IRAs. If you are covered by a retirement plan at work, you can take an IRA deduction if your modified adjusted gross income is less than \$80,000 (married filing jointly) or \$60,000 (single or head of household).

Business Standard Mileage Rate Increased. To compensate for high gasoline costs in 2005, the standard business mileage rate was raised from 40.5 cents per mile to 48.5 cents per mile for miles driven after 9/1/05.

Increased Section 179 Expense Deduction. The maximum amount increases from \$102,000 to \$105,000.

Additional First-Year Depreciation. The bonus depreciation allowance of 50 percent expires for qualifying property purchased after 2004.

Domestic Production Activities Deduction. Starting in 2005, certain businesses, including sole-proprietorships, can claim a new deduction of three percent of business net income. This deduction applies to businesses engaged in construction, engineering, or architectural services; film production; or the lease, rental, or sale of equipment you manufactured.

Clean Fuel Deduction Expires. The clean fuel deduction of \$2,000 for the purchase of a new hybrid vehicle expires at the end of 2005. This deduction is replaced by a tax credit in 2006.

Charitable Contributions after 8/27/05. Cash contributions after 8/27/05 to any charity are not subject to the 50 percent adjusted gross income limitation and are not subject to the phaseout of itemized deductions for high income taxpayers.

Charitable Mileage Rate Increased. A taxpayer who uses a vehicle to provide donated services to a charity related to Hurricane Katrina can claim a charitable mileage deduction of 34 cents per mile, rather than the regular charitable mileage deduction of 14 cents per mile.

Charitable Contributions of Vehicles and Boats. The amount you can deduct for donations of autos and boats for which the claimed value exceeds \$500 depends on how the donated asset is used by the charity. If the charity sells the auto or boat without any significant use or improvement to it, the donor's deduction is limited to the gross sales price obtained by the charity. The fair market value of the car or boat based on comparable sales or appraisal doesn't apply in this situation. This rule applies to donations made after 2004.

Housing Katrina Victims. Providing free housing to victims of Hurricane Katrina for at least 60 days allows the taxpayer to claim an exemption deduction of \$500 per person, up to a maximum of \$2,000. This new type of exemption is not subject to the income-based phaseouts of regular personal exemptions.

Hurricane Katrina, Rita and Wilma Casualty Losses Get Special Treatment. Personal casualty loss deductions must normally be reduced by \$100 per occurrence and by 10 percent of adjusted gross income. Personal casualty losses due to Hurricanes Katrina, Rita or Wilma do not need to be reduced by these amounts.

MAKE SURE YOU...

- Report all your income, including interest, dividends, and freelance consulting fees.
- List the correct Social Security number for every dependent you claim.
- Sign your return.

HOW TO FIND YOUR LEGISLATORS -

Go to <http://www.vote-smart.org> and type in your ZIP code

Home and Garden Tips for April

APRIL GARDENING TIPS

from Ed Hume Gardening Tips



April belongs to gardeners. Those of us who eagerly watch for shoots of green each spring have always known that, but it didn't become official until 1986. That's when a presidential proclamation created the first National Garden Week. Last year, the non-profit National Garden Bureau and 23 national horticultural organizations decided a week wasn't long enough to celebrate gardening; they declared April to be National Garden Month.

April Gardening Checklist:

- Prune and fertilize azaleas and other spring-flowering plants immediately after they finish blooming.
- Watch for early-hatching aphids, lace bugs and scales in their crawler stage. Look for nests of caterpillar-like insects in Cherry trees. Destroy all you find. Most insects are easier to control at the infant stage.
- Continue spraying a weed killer after the grass is mowed until all signs of weeds are gone.

Tip of the Month: Determining Soil Drainage

Many plants need well-drained soil to thrive. To find out how well your soil drains, dig a hole 18 to 24 inches across and 18 to 24 inches deep. Fill the hole with water. If water disappears from the hole in 10 minutes or less, you have sandy soil with fast drainage. If the water takes an hour or more to drain, you have clay soil or a hardpan (an impermeable layer of compacted soil beneath the soil surface). There are many acceptable variations between these two extremes. One way to improve drainage is to mix organic matter—such as shredded bark, compost, or peat moss—into your soil.

Tips for the Humid South

Once night temperatures reach 60°F, plant Caladium tubers 1 to 2 inches deep in loose, well-drained soil with plenty of organic matter. They thrive in shade with dappled light or morning sun.

- Feed Roses now.
- Feed all other plants after they bloom. This will encourage new growth and many more buds for next year.

DESIGNING TIPS

Bernhardt Furniture offers tips for making the most of storage:



Keeping a home organized and clutter-free is a challenge for families, whether they live in a spacious house or a small apartment. In fact, most homes require about twice as much storage space as people anticipate. The good news: storage options are not simply limited to closets and cupboards. Any empty space in your home can be used to create an ideal hideaway for your possessions.

Your bedroom, dining, living, and family room furniture offers affordable, functional and decorative storage options, from displaying treasured collectibles to housing towels, linens, clothes, and video equipment. Be creative. A china cabinet, traditionally used to store china, can also house a gallery of photos or your children's artwork.

Taking Inventory -

Do your belongings take up every inch of available space in your home? If so, it's time to assess what you have and where you have to put it. Taking stock of the quantity and sizes of your items will be helpful as you tackle your storage needs. Consider these space-saving pointers:

- Canvas the entire house from attic to cellar, listing every possible household storage area. Room for storage can be found in the unlikely places, including under the stairway.
- Look for furniture that increases storage options. A drawer chest placed beside a sofa may be more practical than a side table, as it can hold many more things in the same amount of floor space.
- Don't be a packrat. Old clothing and unused appliances take up precious square footage, so donate anything that you are not using.

Dining Room Displays



Besides providing ample storage for fine china, linens, silverware and crystal, dining room furniture also offers surfaces that can be used for serving or display.

Maximizing Bedroom Space



Bedrooms are one of the most popular places to keep clothing, linens and other personal belongings. Here are ideas for utilizing that space most efficiently:

- Think of the area under the bed as "deep storage" for infrequently used seasonal items: sports gear, linens, tablecloths and clothing. Plastic containers, long flat boxes, and special sweater/garment bags offer easy access to your possessions – and are much less expensive than built-in storage units or custom-designed closets. A bed skirt will keep stored items from view.
- Invest in an armoire, one of the most versatile pieces of furniture you'll ever own. In addition to storing sweaters, blankets, pillows and other bulky items, armoires can be utilized as entertainment centers, accommodating TVs, VCRs, and stereo equipment. Does your bedroom double as a home office? Armoires can keep office supplies accessible, and computers, printers, and fax machines neatly out of sight.
- Use nightstands with drawers for concealed storage—and fill them with pens, note cards, tissues, reading material, eyeglasses, phone books or clothing. Place nightstands on both sides of the bed to organize items for two people.
- Hang tie racks, shoe shelves, and mirrors inside closet doors. Look for furniture with special features, like hooks placed on the inside of doors for hanging ties and belts.
- Store games, needlework, magazines and toys—even kitchen appliances or out-of-season handbags—in a trunk or a storage ottoman. Use the top of the trunk to display baskets, plants, bowls or a vase of flowers.

Small Space Solutions

If you live in a small space and your closets are overflowing, finding ingenious ways to use space can often provide extra storage. For example:

- Store sports equipment in plain sight—hang bikes on a wall, place skis and poles above a bed, or suspend a surfboard from the ceiling.
- No room for your pots and pans? Hang designer cookware on a pot rack and show it off.
- Keep out-of-season clothing or holiday decorations inside stored luggage.
- Place shelves or cabinets high up on walls to hold items that are used infrequently.

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2006 HNHA MEMBERSHIP

Are you new to the neighborhood and haven't joined HNHA? Contact Connie Wilcoxon at: (972) 980-4052.



Financial Reports are available upon request from the Treasurer, Eugene Morrison. Please contact him at:

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Consumer File—(972) 934-1132



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Pet News



Pet Facts

Did You Know...

While females can have up to two litters per year for dogs and up to three litters for cats, males can impregnate multiple females.

Two uncontrolled breeding cats and their offspring can theoretically produce (based on 3 litters per year at 4 cats per litter):

1st year: 12 kittens

2nd year: 72 kittens

3rd year: 432 kittens

4th year: 2,592 kittens

10th year: 120,932,235 kittens!

If you spayed & neutered only half of each generation each of the ten years, only 354,288 cats would be born at the end of those ten years. This means 144,764,532 unwanted kitten births would be prevented.

Two uncontrolled breeding dogs and their offspring can theoretically produce (based on one litter per year at 8 pups per litter):

1st year: 8 pups

2nd year: 32 pups

3rd year: 128 pups

4th year: 512 pups

10th year: 2,097,152 pups!

If you spayed & neutered only half of each generation each of the ten years, only 8,184 dogs would be born at the end of those ten years. This means 2,788,016 unwanted puppy births would be prevented.

There are other benefits to spaying & neutering your pet:

- Spayed or neutered pets live longer and healthier lives. They are less aggressive and less likely to wander. A calmer pet makes a more loving companion for you and your family!

- Spaying or neutering your pet also reduces their chance of suffering from cancer later in life.

- Neutering decreases and often eliminates diseases that intact male dogs are prone to later in life,

including diseases of the prostate, testicles and other tissues influenced by male hormones. Testicular and per anal gland cancers are the second and third most frequently diagnosed tumors in older intact male dogs.

- Spaying female cats and dogs entirely eliminates diseases of the ovaries and uterus, and, if performed before their first or second heat cycle, drastically decreases the chance of mammary gland cancer. Mammary cancer is very common in older intact females and is the most common cancer to spread to the lungs.

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April 1st

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April 28th

April 29th

**Deadline for Candy Drop-Off for Easter
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HNHA Easter Egg Hunt

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